

## **BSC 401: Senior Seminar**

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Textbook: None

**Course Description:** A course designed to assist students in increasing their knowledge of opportunities in the biological sciences.

**Course Goals:** To give the advanced student a knowledge of careers and information on how to pursue those opportunities.

**Student Learning Outcomes:** upon completion of this course students are expected to acquire below listed practice.

- Should be able to prepare effective CV or resume depend on future career pursuing
- Have one working practical CV or resume and understand the necessity of keep updating CV or resume to reflect current status of achievement
- Examine student's current status and identify their weakness within the discipline of biological science via taking a standardized test, Major Field Test

**The major field test** will be given during the semester. This exam will take two hours.

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**Participation:** Please notice that this is a large part of your grade. Failure to attend class and actively engage in discussion and other class activities will result in a substantial loss of points. A total of 20 points will be deducted from the participation grade for each unexcused absence.

### **Evaluation**

Participation 200

Curriculum Vitae (or Resume) completion 100

Major Field Test 100

**Total 400**

### **Grading Scale**

A = 360 pts or higher

B = 320-359 pts

C = 280-319 pts

D = 240-279 pts

F = below 240pts

All students are expected to attend all classes. Excuses will be granted if they conform to the university policy regarding attendance.

“All students enrolled at the University shall follow the tenets of common decency and acceptable behavior conducive to a positive learning environment.”

(See Student's Guide Handbook, Policies and Procedures, Conduct.)

**Students with Disabilities:**

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact:

**Office of Student Disability Resources and Services**

**Texas A&M University-Commerce**

**Halladay Student Services Building**

**Room 303 A/D**

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